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| Commissi P.O. Box | Patent Applicationer for Pater 1450 a, VA 22313 | | Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.10, I hereby certify that I am personally depositing this paper or fee with the U.S. Postal Service, "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service on the date indicated above in a sealed envelope (a) having the above-numbered Express Mail label and sufficient postage affixed, and (b) addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313. June 27, 2003 Date Michael G. Pletcher | | | | | | |
| Dear Sir: | | | | | | | | | |
| | REQUEST FO | R FILING | CONTINUING A | PPLICA | TION UNDER 37 | C.F.R. § 1.53(b) | | | |
| 09/476,249, | filed on Decemb TS IN POLY(A | er 30, 199 | 9, entitled METHOI | TO DE | CREASE CORR | g prior application Serial No. OSIVENESS OF e name of Fernando C. | | | |
| The following | ng are enclosed: | | | | | | | | |
| 1. | 1. X Papers which the undersigned declares to be a true copy of the prior application as originally filed, including a 19 page disclosure, 5 pages of claims, a 1 page abstract of the disclosure and a Declaration signed by the inventors. | | | | | | | | |
| 2. | 2. X The Commissioner is authorized to charge the filing fee as calculated below, less an claims canceled by amendment below, and any additional fees which may be required to the Credit Card indicated on the accompanying PTO-2038. | | | | | | | | |
| 3.a. X A copy of the Election and Power of Attorney in the prior application. | | | | | | | | | |
| or | | | | | | | | | |

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3.b. _____ A new Power of Attorney.

4. X An Assignment of record for the prior application.

| | 6.a | A verified statement claiming small entity status is enclosed. |
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| | 6.b | A verified statement claiming small entity status was filed in a parent application and small entity status is still proper and desired in this continuing application. |
| | 7. <u>X</u> | A Preliminary Amendment. |
| | 8. <u>X</u> | An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449. |
| X | | ll correspondence in connection with this application to Michael G. Fletcher, Fletcher x 692289, Houston, Texas 77269-2289; telephone (281) 970-4545. |
| X | Cancel in this ap | oplication original claims 2-34 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At |

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least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)

| CLAIMS | FOR | NUMBER FILED NUMBER EXTRA | | RATE | CALCULATIONS | |
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| | TOTAL 36 CLAIMS | - 20 = | 16 | X \$ 18.00 | \$ | 288.00 |
| | INDEPENDENT 5 CLAIMS | - 3= | 2 | X \$ 84.00 | \$ | 168.00 |
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